# Open Educational Resources to Explore

Annenberg Learner provides access to multimedia, including audio and video clips, for educational use.

ARTstor is a nonprofit digital library of more than one million images in the arts, architecture, humanities, and social sciences, with a suite of software tools to view, present, and manage images for research. There is a fee to be a member.

Connexions offers users the ability not only to create content and assignments but to repurpose others' content to include in a course.

Digital Public Library of America connects people to the riches held within America's libraries, archives, museums, and other cultural heritage institutions. All of the materials—photographs, books, maps, news footage, oral histories, personal letters, museum objects, artwork, government documents, and so much more—are free and immediately available in digital format.

Google, a popular search engine, is a useful tool for finding online resources. Use Google's "Advanced Search" and limit your results by category and usage rights, among other criteria, to search for open resources.

Google Arts & Culture is an online platform through which the public can access high-resolution images of artworks housed in the initiative's partner museums. The digital platform utilizes high-resolution image technology and enables users to virtually tour partner museums' galleries, explore physical and contextual information about artworks, and compile their own virtual collection.

Interactive Simulations for Science and Math ,also known as PhET,  is a project developed the University of Colorado Boulder to create simulations based on extensive education research and engage students through an intuitive, game-like environment where students learn through exploration and discovery.

Internet Archive has many free-to-use archives of digital texts, audio, moving images, and software as well as archived web page collections.

Khan Academy provides short tutorials posted to YouTube, primarily in mathematics and science, although it has expanded to include other subject areas.

LinkedIn Learning is a professional development website full of self taught courses that can help professionals learn more software skills for their profession.

[Live Binders](#) is a knowledge-sharing site where educators share information in organized electronic binders.

[MERLOT](#) is a curated collection of free and peer-reviewed teaching, learning, and faculty development services contributed and used by an international education community. Membership is free.

> **New:** MERLOT has added a Smart Search that uses a proprietary user profile design to find the newest and most popular learning materials available in learning materials libraries and also on the WWW.  They are **promoting this as one place to search for all of your open educational resources** so you may want to try this first.  Here is more information: [http://info.merlot.org/merlothelp/index.htm#basic_merlot_search.htm](http://info.merlot.org/merlothelp/index.htm#basic_merlot_search.htm)

[MIT OpenCourseWare](#) makes the materials used in the teaching of almost all of MIT's subjects available, downloadable, and reusable with attribution — free of charge.

[National Center for Case Study Teaching in Science](#) provides many case studies to choose from, including in nursing.

[National Science Digital Library](#) is an online library for education and research in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

[OASIS](#) is a search tool that aims to make the discovery of open content easier.

[OER Commons](#) allows educators to search and access open online content. Registered users can save and comment on items.

[Open.Michigan](#) provides open educational resources, data, and publications.

OpenStax CNX provides textbook-style books in a host of disciplines, all of which are accessible online and downloadable.

Open Textbook Library has textbooks that have been funded, published, and licensed to be freely used, adapted, and distributed. These books have been reviewed by faculty from a variety of colleges and universities to assess their quality.

[YouTube](#) has many useful videos to use in the classroom. It also has many that are not appropriate or are of poor quality.

YouTube EDU brings learners and educators together in a global video classroom to provide a broad set of educational videos including course lectures from top-tier universities.

TeacherTube, an alternative to YouTube, offers a more educationally focused venue for teachers and schools.

TED Talks are influential videos from expert speakers on a wide variety of topics.

WebQuest.Org is the most complete and current source of information about the WebQuest Model. You can search for any string of characters in the title, description, author name, or URL.